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SUBJECT: 32ND UNGA: WORKING PAPER DEALING WITH THE UK
CARIBBEN TERRITORIES AND THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS

1. UKUN MISSION OFFICER HAS INFORMED US THAT BARBADIAN
PERM REP BLACKMAN HAS BEEN CIRCULATING THE WORKING PAPER
(WHICH FOLLOWS IN PARAGRAPH 4) DEALING WITH UK CARIBBEAN
TERRITORIES AND THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS.
2. UKUN BELIEVES THIS IS INTENDED TO BE A LAUNCHING PAD
FOR A NEW INTERNATIONAL FUND TO PROVIDE BOTH DEVELOPMENT
AND BUDGETARY ASSISTANCE.
3. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THERE WILL ALSO BE A SEPARATE
RESOLUTIONS ON THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS AND ON SOME OF THE
OTHER TERRITORIES CONSIDERED IN THE WORKING PAPER. END
COMMENT.
4. QUOTE
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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING
OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

QUESTION OF BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, CAYMAN ISLANDS,
MONTserrat, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, UNITED STATES VIRGIN
ISLANDS AND WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES. 1/

WORKING PAPER

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
HAVING CONSIDERED THE SITUATION IN THE TERRITORIES
LISTED ABOVE,
HAVING EXAMINED THE RELEVANT CHAPTERS OF THE REPORT OF THE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPEND-
ENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES. 2/
RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 1514 (XV) OF 14 DECEMBER 1960,
CONTAINING THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE
TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES, AND ALL OTHER RESOLUTIONS
AND DECISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS RELATING TO THESE TERR-
ITORIES,
AWARE OF THE SPECIAL PROBLEMS FACED BY THESE TERRITORIES
WITH REGARD TO TERRITORIAL SIZE, GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION AND
LIMITED ECONOMIC RESOURCES,
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE EMPHASIS BEING PLACED BY LEADERS
OF THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED ON THE ACCELERATION OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES AS
AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE PROCEESS OF DECOLONIZATION,
SHARING THE CONCERN EXPRESSED BY THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENTS
OVER THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF RECENT INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS ON THE
ECONOMIES OF THE TERRITORIES, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR
INFLATION, RECESSION, UNEMPLOYMENT AND DISLOCATION OF THE
WORLD'S MONEY AND CAPITAL MARKETS.
NOTING WITH APPRECIATION THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES, THE ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM
AS WELL AS THE REGIONAL BODIES PARTICULARLY THE CARIBBEAN
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COMMUNITY AND COMMON MARKET (CARICOM) TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC, FIN-
ANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ALL EXCEPT ONE OF THESE
TERRITORIES,

1. REAFFIRMS THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLES OF THE
TERRITORIES TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE;
2. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, WITH THE CO-OPERATION
OF THE ADMINISTERING POWERS CONCERNED, AND THE ASSISTANCE OF THE
UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES
AND CARICOM, TO UNDERTAKE, AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, A STUDY
AS TO THE WAYS AND MEANS OF IMPROVING THE ECONOMIC AND
SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN THESE TERRITORIES, AND TO SUBMIT A
REPORT TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY;
3. URGES ALL CONCERNED TO GIVE THE PEOPLES OF THESE
TERRITORIES THE NECESSARY AID IN ORDER THAT THEY MAY ACHIEVE
THEIR LEGITIMATE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 15;
4. CONSIDERES THAT SUCH AID SHOULD BE CHANELLED THROUGH
CARICOM AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES, EXPECIALLY THE CARIBBEAN DEVE-
LOPMENT BANK, WHICH HAVE THE BEST GRASP OF THE PROBLEMS

OF THE CARIBBEAN TERRITORIES.

1/ ANTIGUA, DOMINICA, ST. KITTS-NEVIS-ANGUILLA, ST. LUCIA
AND ST. VINCENT.

2/ A/31/23/ADD.9 (PART I) CHAP. XXV, A/31/23/ADD.9 (PART
II), CHAP. AND A/31/23/ADD.9 (PART III), CHAPS. XXIX-XXXI.
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